

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE AND REALIGNMENT COMMISSION—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 65

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

I transmit herewith the report containing the recommendations of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (BRAC) pursuant to section 2903 of Public Law 101-510, 104 Stat. 1810, as amended.

I hereby certify that I approve all the recommendations contained in the Commission's report.

In a July 8, 1995, letter to Deputy Secretary of Defense White (attached), Chairman Dixon confirmed that the Commission's recommendations permit the Department of Defense to privatize the work loads of the McClellan and Kelly facilities in place or elsewhere in their respective communities. The ability of the Defense Department to do this mitigates the economic impact on those communities, while helping the Air Force avoid the disruption in readiness that would result from relocation, as well as preserve the important defense work forces there.

As I transmit this report to the Congress, I want to emphasize that the Commission's agreement that the Secretary enjoys full authority and discretion to transfer work load from these two installations to the private sector, in place, locally or otherwise, is an integral part of the report. Should the Congress approve this package but then subsequently take action in other legislation to restrict privatization options at McClellan or Kelly, I would regard that action as a breach of Public Law 101-510 in the same manner as if the Congress were to attempt to reverse by legislation any other material direction of this or any other BRAC.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, July 13, 1995.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:29 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1905. An act making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to the provisions of section 169(b) of Public Law 102-138, the Speaker appoints the following Members to the U.S. Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe on the part of the House: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Vice Chairman, Mr.

HOYER, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. FORBES, Mr. CARDIN, and Ms. SLAUGHTER.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1905. An act making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-1155. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a draft of proposed legislation to clarify ambiguity relating to the applicability of section 3703a of title 46, United States Code, to vessels in the National Defense Reserve Fleet; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1156. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to increased aeronautical chart prices; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1157. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to airport redevelopment areas; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1158. A communication from the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to metric conversion; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1159. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Compliance, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of the intention to make refunds of offshore lease revenues where a refund or recoupment is appropriate; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1160. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Compliance, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of the intention to make refunds of offshore lease revenues where a refund or recoupment is appropriate; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1161. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Compliance, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of the intention to make refunds of offshore lease revenues where a refund or recoupment is appropriate; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1162. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Compliance, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of the intention to make refunds of offshore lease revenues where a refund or recoupment is appropriate; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1163. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 1994 annual report of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Heritage Preser-

vation Commission; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1164. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of progress on the clean water state revolving fund; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1165. A communication from the Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to abnormal occurrences; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1166. A communication from the Deputy Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a space situation report for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration consolidation for Hampton Roads, VA; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1167. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to amend and extend the Toxic Substances Control Act, as amended for 2 years; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1168. A communication from the Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Environmental Security), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice of intent to submit a corrected final edition of a report relative to the defense environmental restoration program; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1169. A communication from the General Counsel of the Navy, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled the "Uniform National Discharge Standards for Armed Forces Vessels Act of 1995"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1170. A communication from the Assistant Secretary (Legislative Affairs), Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Earned Income Tax Credit; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1171. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to worker adjustment assistance training funds; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1172. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the emigration laws and policies of the Republic of Bulgaria; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1173. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to improve payment integrity in the Medicare and Medicaid programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1174. A communication from the Director of the Department of Legislative Reference, transmitting, pursuant to law, a compact relative to the Woodrow Wilson Bridge; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1175. A communication from the Attorney General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the fiscal year 1994 report of the activities of the Federal Courts under the Equal Access to Justice Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1176. A communication from the Attorney for the National Council of Radiation Protection and Measurements, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 1994 annual report of independent auditors of the records of the Council; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1177. A communication from the General Counsel and Chief Financial Officer of the National Tropical Botanical Garden, transmitting, pursuant to law, the calendar year 1994 audit report; to the Committee on the Judiciary.